

NOVEMBER 25, 2018

OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST THE KING

DANIEL. 7: 13-14. One like a Son of man received dominion, glory, and kingship.

PSALM 93. The Lord is king; he is robed in majesty.

REVELATION. 1: 5-8. Jesus Christ is the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead.

JOHN. 18:33b-37. For this I came into the world, to testify to the truth.

RESPONSIBLE STEWARDSHIP

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OFFERTORY	\$3,154.13
ONLINE GIVING	\$225.00
SALARY/DUES	\$160.00
THANKSGIVING	\$164.00
CARE & ED FOR PRIESTS	\$6.00
GOOD SAMARITAN	\$322.00
CAMPAIGN HUMAN DEV.	\$483.98

WEEKLY ENVELOPE STATISTICS:

\$1.00-\$5.00=83
\$6.00-\$10.00= 47
\$11.00-\$20.00=56
\$21.00-\$30.00=37
OVER=14

**TOTAL ENVELOPES USED=237
FROM 627 MAILINGS**

WEEKLY DUES STATISTICS:

ABOVE \$5.00=0
\$5.00=30
BELOW \$5.00=4

**TOTAL ENVELOPS USED=34
FROM 627 MAILINGS**



INTENTIONS FOR OUR WEEKLY LITURGIES

SAT. 4:00 P.M. Eleanor Costa (The Family)

SUN. 8:00 A.M. Barbara Serniak (The Family)

SUN. 10:30 A.M. People of the Parish

DAILY MASS IS HELD IN THE CHURCH

MON. 8:00 A.M. All Souls Day Novena Intentions

TUES. 8:00 A.M. Jacob & Justina Mroczka (Carl & Elaine Zeshonski)

WED. 8:00 A.M. Carmel Bruczalski (The Family)

THU. 8:00 A.M. Janet Young (Chantal Vietemeir)

FRI. 8:00 A.M. Robert Piatt (Shirley Jones)

St. Andrew

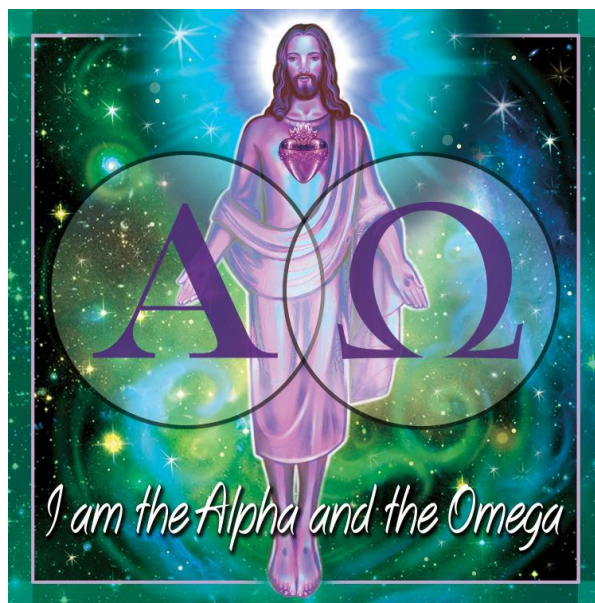
SAT. 4:00 P.M. Helen Falbo (Charles Falbo & Fam.)

SUN. 8:00 A.M. People of the Parish

SUN. 10:30 A.M. Anne Dowd-Geoffroy (Kevin & Ann Pittack)

SUN. 4:00 P.M. ADVENT HOLY HOUR BEGINS

SUN. 5:00 P.M. ADVENT HOLY HOUR CONCLUDES WITH BENEDICTION



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WORD OF LIFE: "Let us rededicate ourselves this year to recognizing the reign of Jesus Christ and his Sacred Heart in every aspect of our lives."

~USCCB Office of Religious Liberty "Solemnity of Christ the King"

Bulletin Insert

TO ALL PARISHIONERS: The new 2019 Mass Book is now open to schedule your masses.

ALTAR BREAD AND WINE: Donation has been made for the intention of Health Improvements requested by the Moffitt Family. Thank You!!

CATHOLIC CAMPAIGN FOR HUMAN DEVELOPMENT: Thank you for your generous support last week to the collection for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development! As a parish, we raised\$ to support those on the margins who are living in poverty in the United States.

GOOD SAMARITAN FUND:

This is our Sixteenth Annual Collection for this parish fund.

The fund is designated for anyone in need of items on the occasion of

a hardship. We can add to this fund at any time throughout the year.

However, we designate Christ the King Sunday (November 25th this year) for this collection. Please use the envelope provided in your packets.

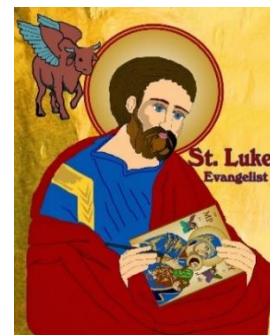


THE NEW CHURCH YEAR BEGINS NEXT WEEK WITH THE GOSPEL OF SAINT LUKE:

Next week, we begin Year C-the Gospel of Saint Luke. Luke, the writer of the Gospel and Acts of the Apostles, has been identified with St. Paul's "Luke", the beloved physician" (Colossians 4:14).

We know few other facts about St. Luke's life. It is believed that Luke was born a Greek and a Gentile. According to the early Church historian Eusebius, Luke was born at Antioch in Syria. Reading Luke's

Gospel gives a good idea of his character as one who loved the poor, who wanted the door to God's kingdom opened to all, who respected women, and who saw hope in God's mercy for everyone. He is often shown with an ox or a calf because these are the symbols of sacrifice—the sacrifice Jesus made for all the world. St. Luke's feast day is October 18th.



ALL SOULS DAY ENVELOPES:

These envelopes are found in your mailed packets. During the month of November, we will have a Novena of masses for all the souls of the faithful departed. Please include your intentions and they will be placed on the Altar.



CHRIST IS KING:

On the final Sunday of the Liturgical year we celebrate the feast of Christ the King. It's easy to understand today's scriptures as events that happened



long ago and far away, or predictions that will come true somewhere, some day. But they invite us to claim Christ as our King here and now. Jesus' words to Pilate in the Gospel remind us that his kingdom transcends time and place. And the prophecies from Daniel and Revelation give us reason to be faithful to Christ our King right here and now. By concluding the year with this feast we are proclaiming our faith that Jesus Christ is the one and only King over all seasons, peoples, and all of creation. No matter what nation we belong to or what language we speak, he "has made us into a kingdom" (Revelation 1:6)—one people united in love and peace for all eternity.



CHRISTMAS FLOWER COLLECTION:

These envelopes are in your packets. Please be generous so our church looks beautiful for the Christmas Season.

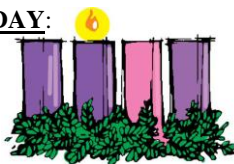
CATHOLIC SOCIAL SERVICES OF THE DIOCESE OF SCRANTON COUNSELING:

The Diocese of Scranton offers compassionate counseling in a safe, comfortable environment where your privacy is always respected. Counseling is about self-discovery and can be used for personal growth or when distressing conditions exist and you need a bit of extra support. Help is available. Anyone who struggles with anxiety, depression, grief and loss, life transitions, or a variety of emotional or psychological conditions is welcome. Catholic Social Services accepts Medicaid plans and some insurance plans. Counseling is made affordable for everyone. For more information or to make an appointment, call 570-207-2283.

VNA Hospice, 301 Delaware Avenue, Olyphant provides a variety of ongoing Grief Support Groups to fit your unique needs. Coming together in a group of like-minded individuals can often provide the support and understanding we could all benefit from as we grieve. Please consider which group or groups are right for you!
Third Thursday of each month at 6:00 P.M.-Traditional Bereavement Support Group
Each Monday from 1:00-3:00 P.M.-Knit/Crochet Group
Each Tuesday from 1:00-2:30 P.M.-Sleeping Bag Project & Fisherman Knot Rosary making
Each Tuesday from 6:15-7:30 P.M.-Finding Balance Yoga (\$10 per class).
All events are held at the VNA Office Building at 301 Delaware Avenue, Olyphant Parking lot in the back of the building off Church St. and enter through the rear door.

ADVENT HOLY HOUR BEGINS NEXT SUNDAY:

We will once again keep our long-standing tradition of Holy Hour. we begin at 4:00 P.M. with the Evening Prayer of the Church, along with the Rosary, private meditation and conclude with Benediction. Please join us during this beautiful season.



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CHRISTMAS CASH UPDATE: Congratulations to Monsignor Tressler, winner of the last Early Bird Christmas Cash Drawing! Mark Your Calendar! The Christmas Cash Drawing will be held **on Friday, November 30, at St. John's Center in Mayfield. Doors will open at 5:30; the bar will open at 6:00; dinner will be at 6:30.** Please Note: *To gain entrance the night of the event, please bring your ticket stub or know your ticket number. Only two people per ticket can attend the Christmas Cash Event. Join us for some company, cuisine and CASH!*

CHRISTMAS TOY REGISTRATION:

The Christmas Toy Registration sponsored by Catholic Social Services will take place on **Monday, November 26 to Friday, November 30 from 9:30 A.M.-11:30 A.M. and 1:30 P.M.-3:30 P.M.** at the new office of **Catholic Social Services, 34 River Street, Carbondale.** Parents must bring: Photo ID/Verification of income for everyone in the household/Social Security card, Birth Certificate or insurance card for children/proof of address with a recent date.



SUPPORT GROUP AT CATHOLIC SOCIAL SERVICES

At Catholic Social Services in Scranton, we are offering a support group for people who are feeling alone or struggling to find companionship in their lives. Loneliness has become a debilitating concern for many adults leading to increased feelings of isolation, limited community involvement and lowered life expectancy. This group offers the opportunity to meet new people and make connections with others who are struggling to find friendship and companionship in a safe environment. The group is open to anyone who find him or herself alone and wants to meet like-minded people who can share their experiences of seeking others to share their time with. The group is offered on Monday afternoons from 3:30 to 4:30 P.M. at the 516 Fig Street office. For more information you can contact Peg Mahoney, LPC/Supervising Counselor: 570-207-2283/ x 2130 or Amanda Lara or Brittany Harris/Counseling Interns at 570-207-2283 x 2129

SPIRITUAL ADOPTION:

You're in the homestretch with your spiritually adopted baby. He is completely formed, and has been since 8 weeks. All he is doing now is gaining weight-and making his mother uncomfortable with his size. But she's not worried now. In a short time, her baby will be born. She has planned to bring her baby home or to place her baby for adoption. Either way, she knows she can receive the assistance she needs from the Catholic Church and from the crisis pregnancy centers. Your baby's mother appreciates the prayers you have said for her and her baby throughout the pregnancy. It hasn't been easy, but your prayers have given her grace to seek the help she needs.



DIOCESAN ANNUAL APPEAL UPDATE FOR SACRED HEARTS OF JESUS AND MARY PARISH:

Bishop Bambera thanks all parishioners who have already donated to this year's Diocesan Annual Appeal. **To date 78 parishioners/families pledged. we have raised \$9,650.00 this year's goal is \$23,000.00. Thank You!**

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION AT QUEEN OF ANGELS, JESSUP:

We are looking for volunteers and substitutes for our Adoration Chapel on Staurdays. If you are able to help please call Diane Trently at 570-876-1233.

To make a donation to this year's Annual Appeal please visit **www.AnnualAppeal.org** or contact us at 570-207-2250 or send your gift to Development Office, Diocese of Scranton 300 Wyoming Ave., Scranton, PA 18503

Pledge envelopes are available in the back of the church.

LITURGICAL MINISTRY SCHEDULE

DECEMBER 1 & 2
THE FIRST SUNDAY OF
ADVENT
E. MINISTER
LECTOR
ACOLYTES

SAT. 4:00 P.M.
Mr. Ted Prusinski (Chalice)
Mrs. Julie Rzucidlo (Chalice)
Mr. Joseph Esgro (Host)
Mr. Michael Serniak (Host)
Mrs. Ann M. Prusinski
Tommy Johnson

SUN. 8:00 A.M.
Deacon Pat Massino (Chalice)
Mrs. Ann Selvenis (Chalice)
Mrs. Katie Hosie (Host)
Mrs. Mary Malec
Jessie Cunningham
Olivia Cunningham

SUN. 10:30 A.M.
Miss Mary Golden (Chalice)
Mrs. Ann M. Kitchura (Chalice)
Mrs. Sue Baka (Host)
Mr. Charles Barlow
Elizabeth Pittsman
Maggie Pittsman

PRESENTERS OF GIFTS

DECEMBER 1 & 2
THE FIRST SUNDAY OF
ADVENT

SAT. 4:00 P.M.
Falbo Fam.

SUN. 8:00 A.M.
OPEN

SUN. 10:30 A.M.
Geoffroy Fam.

FAILED MARRIAGES AND HEALING:

When marriages fail, Catholics may be unclear about their relationship to the Church. "I am civilly divorced and not sure whether I can continue to receive the Eucharist or be a part of the parish Community."

"I am not sure about the status of my marriage." "It would be helpful to talk to someone who could explain it to me."

"My spouse and I would like to explore having our marriage blessed by the Church." "I don't know what an annulment really is and why I would want one. Also, I've heard their expensive." Do any of these voices sound like you or someone like you or someone you know? In the Diocese of Scranton, the Annulment Process is no more "user friendly" than you might expect, and there is no longer a processing fee. Please contact the Diocesan Tribunal Office (570-207-2246) to begin a conversation. It is possible to get clear answers to the answers to these questions and to renew your connection to the Church.



PORK DINNER "THANK YOU":

The Stewardship Committee would like to extend a heartfelt "thank you" to everyone involved with the 2018 pork dinner. Your generous support if this fundraiser resulted in a profit of \$4,119.84. Thank you to all those who planned, prepared, volunteered, donated desserts, attended or were involved in any way. Also, anyone who donated a dessert can pick up their baking dishes or trays if necessary. They are in the church basement on the ledge of the bar area.



WOMEN'S GUILD UPCOMING EVENTS:

CHRISTMAS PARTY- The Christmas Party for the Women's Guild is

Wednesday, December 12 at 5:30 P.M.

at Pietro's in Jessup. A buffet supper will be served. Please join us for a casual and relaxing evening. **Reservations close December 5 and must be accompanied by \$30.00 per person, which includes meal, non-alcoholic beverage, tax and tip, and a \$10 charitable contribution benefitting the Little Sisters of the Poor.** Reservations may be given to Annette @ the Rectory 570-876-1061, Judy Hine (570-876-1649, or Anne Marie Kitchura 570-876-1697.



NURSING HOME CHRISTMAS VISIT-Members of the Women's Guild who are available to share an afternoon with the residents of the Carbondale Nursing Home are most welcome to join us to spread a little Christmas Cheer. We will play a few games of Bingo, distribute small gifts to winners, and treat them with Christmas dessert! The date is **Tuesday, December 4 and we will meet at 1:30 P.M. to set up for a 2:00 Bingo.** Members are asked to contribute \$5.00 for game, prizes & dessert. Please contact **Emilene Pittsman @ 570-876-2291 or Anne Marie Kitchura @ 570-876-1697.** If you can come, or wish to contribute.

CHRISTMAS COOKIE SALE:

The eleventh annual Christmas Cookie Sale sponsored by Sacred Hearts of Jesus and Mary Parish 624 Madison Avenue, Jermyn, will be held on Saturday, December 15, 2018. These homemade cookies must be pre-ordered either in one-pound packages for \$8 or two-pound packages for \$15. Pre-orders may be placed by calling Mary Fran Smith (570-876-3565), Dorothy Perry (570-876-4160) or by dropping the order forms in the "cookie box" in the back of the church. All orders must be placed by December 9th, and may be picked up on Saturday, December 15th in the Parish Center on Madison Avenue from 10:00 A.M. til Noon.



THANKSGIVING COLLECTION FOR THE LITTLE SISTERS OF THE POOR:

Once again, our Parish will collect for the residents of Holy Family residence (for the elderly). We will have baskets set up at the entrance of the Church to collect items. Let us show our BOUNTY as we bring forth for God's holy one's in need.



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:

Do you have an hour a week to spare? The Visiting Nurses Association is seeking caring, compassionate, and dynamic individuals to join our volunteer team. The volunteer would share their unique skills and talents to enhance the patient's quality of life. Currently, we are seeking individuals to provide companionship services for our out-patients, caregiver relief and supportive services, and in-office volunteer time. The volunteer visit would be either in the patient's home, in a facility or at the office at 301 Delaware Avenue, Olyphant. If you are considering making a change and adding a rewarding experience to your life, please consider volunteering with us. For more information, please contact Marina Suche Pambianco, VNA Volunteer Coordinator, at mpambianco@vnahospice.org or 570-383-5180.



JESUS CHRIST THE KING

Almighty and everlasting God, through Your beloved Son, King of the whole world. You have willed to restore all things anew; grant in Your mercy that all the families of nations, held asunder by the wound of sin, may be subjected to His most gentle rule.

We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever.

Amen

(SAN 1961)